

# 2016 Major Automated Information System Annual Report



# **Army Contract Writing System (ACWS)**

Defense Acquisition Management Information Retrieval (DAMIR)

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# **Common Acronyms and Abbreviations for MAIS Programs**

Acq O&M - Acquisition-Related Operations and Maintenance

ADM - Acquisition Decision Memorandum

AoA - Analysis of Alternatives

ATO - Authority To Operate

APB - Acquisition Program Baseline

BY - Base Year

CAE - Component Acquisition Executive

CDD - Capability Development Document

**CPD - Capability Production Document** 

DAE - Defense Acquisition Executive

DoD - Department of Defense

DoDAF - DoD Architecture Framework

FD - Full Deployment

FDD - Full Deployment Decision

FY - Fiscal Year

IA - Information Assurance

IATO - Interim Authority to Operate

ICD - Initial Capability Document

IEA - Information Enterprise Architecture

IOC - Initial Operational Capability

IP - Internet Protocol

IT - Information Technology

KPP - Key Performance Parameter

\$M - Millions of Dollars

MAIS - Major Automated Information System

MAIS OE - MAIS Original Estimate

MAR - MAIS Annual Report

MDA - Milestone Decision Authority

MDD - Materiel Development Decision

MILCON - Military Construction

MS - Milestone

N/A - Not Applicable

O&S - Operating and Support

OSD - Office of the Secretary of Defense

PB - President's Budget

RDT&E - Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation

SAE - Service Acquisition Executive

TBD - To Be Determined

TY - Then Year

U.S.C- United States Code

USD(AT&L) - Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, & Logistics

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# **Program Information**

### **Program Name**

Army Contract Writing System (ACWS)

#### **DoD Component**

Army

# **Responsible Office**

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#### References

# **MAIS Original Estimate**

This investment does not have an approved program baseline; therefore, no Original Estimate has been established.

## **Program Description**

The Army Contract Writing System (ACWS) will be the Army's single, next-generation, enterprise-wide contract writing, management, execution, and close-out software system. ACWS will facilitate the standardization of Army Procurement business processes and streamline the integration with Army Enterprise Resource Planning systems. As a financial feeder system, ACWS will meet the compliance requirements of the Federal Financial Management Improvement Act of 1996. The system will meet the full scope of Army Contracting requirements, including those in secure and non-secure locations, those supporting combat or non-combat contingencies, those within or outside the borders of the Continental United States, those supporting grants and assistance agreements, and those performing weapons systems, construction, installation, and other specialized contracting activities.

#### **Business Case**

The following information has not been provided in a previous annual report.

Business Case Analysis, including the Analysis of Alternatives: Key functional requirements for this program are articulated in the Problem Statement, approved on September 11, 2013; the Requirements Traceability Matrix, approved on November 4, 2015; further developed in the Concept of Operations / Operational Mode Summary / Mission Profile, approved on October 26, 2015, and summarized as follows: The Army must move to a single enterprise contract writing and management system to obtain business process efficiencies, support compliance with the Federal Financial Management Improvement Act of 1996, integrate with existing Enterprise Resource Planning systems and decrease the number of complex interfaces while fostering auditability. Due to the rapidly approaching sunset date (September 30, 2020) of the current, outdated, enterprise contract writing solution called the Standard Procurement System, the Army has an urgent need to re-engineer business processes, and select and implement a solution to replace current contracting capabilities. The Analysis of Alternatives (AoA) considered a list of legacy, commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS), as well as developmental alternatives and recommended procurement of a COTS solution. The AoA recommendations were deemed sufficient and accepted by the Under Secretary of the Army, in a memorandum, dated July 1, 2014. An Economic Analysis is currently being performed on the selected alternative.

**Firm, Fixed-Price Feasibility:** The determination of the contract type will be based on risk associated with the estimated cost of satisfying the requirement, not any lack of clarity of the technical requirement. At the upcoming Defense Acquisition Board, the Milestone Decision Authority will be asked to approve a hybrid, cost-type contract with Cost Plus Fixed Fee and Firm Fixed Price Contract Line Item Numbers in the first Task Order. The primary reason for proposing a cost-type contract is that the Risk Reduction Phase tasks are complex and technically challenging making it impossible to precisely estimate the cost of satisfying the requirements. Additionally, it would not be practicable to reduce cost risk to a level that would permit the use of a fixed-price contract.

**Independent Cost Estimate:** An Army Cost Position will be developed to support this program.

**Certification of Business Case Alignment; Explanation:** A business case for ACWS has not yet been completed, thus it is premature to certify that the technical and business requirements have reviewed and validated to ensure alignment with the business case. Key functional requirements for this program are articulated in the Problem Statement, dated September 11, 2013, and the Requirements Traceability Matrix, dated November 4, 2015.

# **Program Status**

**No Baseline:** This Automated Information System Investment has not yet been baselined. The information provided herein is appropriate to the current status of the program. No Original Estimate is being established by this report.

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# **Schedule**

This investment does not have an approved program baseline. Therefore, the information provided here does not constitute an Original Estimate.

# Memo

MDD ADM dated October 29, 2014

# **Performance**

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No Key Performance Parameters have been approved for ACWS.

# **Funding**

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ACWS					
Fiscal Year	RDT&E (TY \$M)	Procurement (TY \$M)	MILCON (TY \$M)	Acq O&M (TY \$M)	
2016	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
2017	20.7	1.0	0.0	0.0	
2018	31.6	4.9	0.0	5.5	
2019	18.6	8.3	0.0	22.0	